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In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed November 20, 2001, enclosed are a completed issue fee transmittal form PTOL-85b, Amendment after Allowance under 37 CFR 1.312(a); transmittal of 1 sheet of formal drawings, and a check for \$1310 for the required fee, including patent copies.

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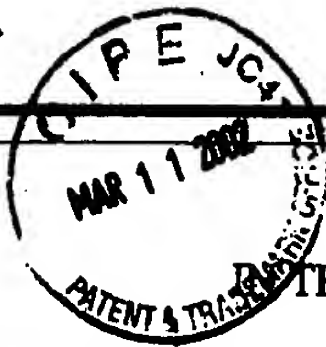
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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312(a)

Please amend the above references application as specified below. This amendment is filed concurrently with the payment of the issue fee.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Referring now to Figure 1, a transformer tank 10 typically comprises a tank body 12, a tank cover 14 bolted or welded to tank body 12 and sealed with gasket 16. Tank body 12 is sealed. Tank 10 houses the transformer core and windings (not shown in Fig. 1) or other electrical equipment, immersed in a dielectric fluid 18. The space between the surface of the fluid and the tank cover is the tank headspace 20. According to one embodiment of the present invention, a polymer container 22 containing an oxidation reducing composition is mounted in the headspace of the tank, preferably on the inside of the tank cover as shown in Figure 1. As set forth above container 22 is a pouch or bag encasement constructed of a oxygen permeable film.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph.

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